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For: SPHERICAL TETRAGONAL BARIUM TITANATE PARTICLES AND

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

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March 26, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2003 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due December 30, 2003.

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time is \$950 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now March 30, 2004. Accordingly, this

Amendment and Response is being timely filed.

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| Sir: |
| RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. |
| □ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. |
| Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 5 minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 |
| Independent claims after amendment 4 minus highest number previously paid for 4 (at least 3) = 0 x \$86.00 \$0.00 |
| If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 |
| Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$420.00/2 months; \$950.00/3 months) \$950.00 |
| Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 |
| ☐ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$770.00) \$ 0.00 ☐ Please enter the previously unentered , filed ☐ Submission attached |
| Subtotal \$ 950.00 |
| If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith |
| Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00 |
| Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) \$ 0.00 |
| Other: Evidentiary Declaration of Kurokawa 0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 950.00 |
| The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u> , or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this sheet is attached. |
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| Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Arthur R. Crawford, Reg. No. 25,327 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 |
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